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In re Application of:

James J. Frassica

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PROVISIONAL PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

It is unclear whether or not an extension of time is needed with the present submission. To the extent that one is needed, please treat this as a request for an extension of time. All petition fees should be calculated on the basis of a Small Entity status. Please charge any applicable fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0221. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for the convenience of the Office.

Thank you.

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